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In re the Application of: Syuushi NOMURA et al.

Art Unit: 1797

Application Number: 10/500,042

Examiner: Tony Glen Soohoo

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For:

LIQUID PROCESSING DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING

PROCESSED LIQUID

Attorney Docket Number:

042449

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38834

REQUEST FOR RETURN OF PTO/SB/08

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 August 6, 2008

Sir:

Applicants filed an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) on October 16, 2007. A copy of the IDS is attached hereto.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner return a copy of the Form PTO/SB/08 that accompanies the IDS, marked to indicate that the references listed therein have been considered by the Office.

The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner has any questions concerning this Request.

Respectfully submitted,

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In re the Application of: Syuushi NOMURA et al.

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FIELD CONVERTER AND FLUID PROCESSING DEVICE USING

THE CONVERTER

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Sir:

Applicants direct the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08. A copy of each non - U.S. document is attached.

This Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is being submitted after issuance of a first official action on the merits and expiration of the three month period following the filing date or the entry of the national stage for the above-captioned application, but prior to issuance of either a final official action or a Notice of Allowance.

The undersigned hereby certifies that each item of information contained in the IDS was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the IDS. A copy of the foreign communication citing the documents is attached.

Information Disclosure Statement under 1.97(c)(1) Attorney Docket No. 042449 Application No. 10/500,042

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